# Pierre Salinger is an 'inside' political novelist with a difference.

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Pierre Salinger started twenty-five years ago as a reporter for the *San Francisco Chronicle*. By the mid-50s, he was an investigative reporter for a leading national magazine—and then a top investigator for a Congressional committee. He spent three years in the White House as Press Secretary to Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, and served in 1964 as U.S. Senator from California.

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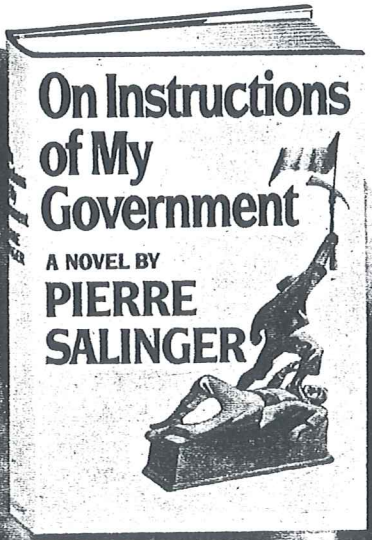


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